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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, line 21 with the following amended paragraph:

Figures 4-7 depict alternate embodiments of the invention. Figure 4 shows an isometric and side view of fastener 10 with an added plastic insert 40 41 encompassing the inside surface of the jaws. The plastic insert wraps around the lateral sides of the fastener adjacent opening 15 to provide abrasion resistance and electrical insulation between an item that is inserted through the opening and the fastener jaws while the opening 22 remains unobstructed.

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

A cable hook includes self-clinching attachment means structures with on a substantially rectangular base having a planar bottom surface. The hook portion extends upwardly from the base and includes upper and lower jaws with a lateral opening that is substantially circular. A single, laterally-extending notch is located on the inside surface of the upper jaw proximate a frontal opening between the jaws. Orientation marks are included on the bottom surface of the base. Self-clinching panel attachment means structures are preferably deformed undercut grooves for receiving the cold flow of metal from a metal panel attached thereby. The hook may be used to secure cables, a spring, a rod, tubing, or a shaft.